



TURNING OVER GAVELS . . . at the joint installation of the Trio Odd Fellows and Rebekah Lodge held at the Masonic Temple Jan. 9 are (from left), Edith Marriott, outgoing noble grand and Ruth Jacobs, her successor. Robert Jacobs, new noble grand and Warren Powers, retiring noble grand. The ceremony was witnessed by 250 persons.

Trio Odd Fellows, Rebekahs Conduct Joint Installation

Two hundred fifty guests attended the impressive joint installation ceremony of Trio Odd Fellows Lodge 498 and Trio Rebekah Lodge 240 at the Torrance Masonic Temple Jan. 9. District Deputy Grand Master Charles Sorenson and his staff joined with the women's staff under the supervision of District Deputy President Cele Ewers, to install the new officers of the respective lodges.

BENEFIT LUNCHEON WEDNESDAY NOON

Hospital committee of the Women of the Moose, chapter 44, will serve a swiss steak luncheon to the public Wednesday from 11 to 2 p.m. at the Moose Hall. There will also be door prizes. Proceeds will go to the fund for furnishing a room at Moosehaven.

Women of the Moose are also planning a trip through Holm's bakery on Jan. 28. They will gather at the Moose Hall. A card party will follow the bakery tour.

Members of the women's installing teams were gowned in white formals and wore red fiber-flowered leis. The deputy president and her marshal wore red lace evening gowns and a white orchid corsage. As the deputies and their staffs retired to the singing of Aloha, the incoming Noble Grands Robert and Ruth Jacobs were bedecked with red leis.

Mrs. Jacobs wore a light blue evening dress with a net skirt and a red rose and white corsage. Katherine Vash, new vice grand, wore a peach taffeta formal with an orchid corsage.

DINNER GUESTS

Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Thomson, of 1447 El Prado Ave., entertained Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Clauson for dinner. The group then drove to Whittier to visit Mr. and Mrs. Walter Whitfield. The three men served in the armed forces together.

AAUW Meets Aquarians to Meet Tuesday Tonight

The regular general meeting of the Aquarian Branch of the American Association of University Women will be held at 8 o'clock this evening at the Hermosa Beach Woman's Club, 77 17th St., Hermosa Beach.

Speaker of the evening at this Fellowship meeting will be Miss Bani Singh, an international grantee from India who is studying social work at UCLA. Miss Singh will be introduced by Mrs. David E. Kraus, southern assistant for Fellowship.

Announce Son

Mr. and Mrs. William C. Lebeck, 1617 Arlington Ave., are announcing the birth of a son at Torrance Memorial hospital, Jan. 15. The young man has been named Mark David, Mr. Lebeck is the former Patricia Findley, daughter of Mrs. Paul Findley, 2121 Gramercy and the late Mr. Findley.

Mr. Lebeck is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. Lebeck, Sr., of Pawtucket, Rhode Island.

STREAMLINERS

Streamliners club of the YWCA will meet this afternoon at the Torrance Y building, 2320 Carson, at 5 p.m.

At this session of the group, Anne Douglas will instruct the club in rhythmic exercises and modern dance. The club is open to all who are interested in improving their figures and in learning to relax. Further information is available by calling the YWCA, according to Pauline Greer, president of the club.

GUILD TO SERVE SMORGASBORD

Women's Guild of the Central United Brethren Church will stage their largest-ways and means project of the year on Thursday, Jan. 27, when they will serve a smorgasbord dinner to the public. Proceeds from this benefit will go to the building fund. Serving will begin at 5 p.m. and continue until 7 o'clock in the Guild Hall.

G-W Council

Headed by Mrs. Michael Foxhoven, president of the Gardena-Wilmington Council of PTAs, all local units of the Council will participate in a major community project, the "March of Mothers" for the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis.

This year again, Parent-Teacher mother and fathers will voluntarily but enthusiastically march to help in the battle against the dreaded infantile paralysis.

Scheduled for Monday evening, Jan. 31, the March of Mothers will cover areas assigned to each unit PTA. Calls are to be made at every home this year.

At a recent meeting of all the local PTA March of Dimes chairmen, Mrs. M. Clark, head of the Women's Division of the National Foundation, gave an inspiring talk and also showed the film "They shall not want."

Those attending the meeting were: Memmades K. Kley, Amestoy; R. Carter, Carson Street; P. Roberts, R. Gillum, Catekill; M. Fredenburg, A. Standley; M. Jay, Chapman Avenue; R. Callahan, Del Amo; L. Ybarra, Denker; L. Gunderson, C. Smart, Dolores Street; L. Park, A. Robey, Dominguez; D. McLellan, Fries Avenue; M. Straine, Gardena Elementary; H. McEwen, Gulf Avenue; M. Sousa, E. Croom, Hawaiian; M. Norman, 133th Street; D. Crowell, R. Crowell, H. Hackle, 186th Street; R. Melhorn, 186th Street; R. Crow, 232nd Street; and R. Elliott, Wilmington Park.

186th Street

The first executive board meeting of the 186th Street PTA for 1955 was held recently at the school.

A nominal gift will be sent to the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, which is located in Chicago, Ill., as a dedication gift.

Plans for an AG party were discussed and a committee to plan a luncheon was appointed. A rag and paper drive was discussed and will be held on Feb. 15 and 16.

Mrs. Philip Donaher, child welfare chairman, reported that ten families had received Christmas aid.

Mrs. Robert Melhorn attended the Mother's March on Polio work shop at the Gardena Teenage Community Center. Mrs. Melhorn is health chairman for the 186th Street School PTA.

Many fathers turned out to be "honored" on father's night at the PTA's most recent meeting.

W. S. Stewart read the inspirational message and Robert Lyon, acting vice principal, introduced the school faculty and gave an interesting report on the rainy day equipment being purchased with student body finances.

Bernard Hayes and Floyd White gave a most interesting demonstration showing the new method of artificial respiration. "Born" was shown.

The film, "A Criminal in Four members and two alternates to serve as a nominating committee to nominate officers for the coming year were nominated and elected.

The Harbor Aquarian Society will meet Tuesday evening, at 7:30 o'clock, at McMaster Park, 174th St. and Yukon Ave. in Torrance. The feature of the evening will be movies by Dr. Nelson Mathison of Long Beach. Dr. Mathison is a world famous skin diver, lecturer, and marine photographer.

Attend Annual Diocese Meet

A number of Torrance women will attend the Diocesan Women's Auxiliary annual meeting to be held at St. Paul's Cathedral in Los Angeles tomorrow and Wednesday, at 9 a.m. tomorrow holy communion will be celebrated by Bishop William Blay. Guest speaker will be the Rt. Rev. Robert L. Gibson, co-adjutor of Virginia.

B'Nai B'Rith UNIT TO MEET

The next regular meeting of the South Bay B'Nai B'Rith Women will be held Thursday, Jan. 27, at the Gardena Community Center, 1661 Market St., at 8:30 p.m. Mrs. Bernard Smitzer, program chairman, reports that there will be a film shown depicting the life in Israel, entitled "Break of Day." This film is being distributed by the United Israel Appeal. Refreshments will be served during the business session.

Members are reminded to save all articles of clothing, children's and kitchen utensils, and jewelry for the annual rummage sale to be held March 5. Those who have no storage space are asked to contact Mrs. Richard Schroeder where items will be stored.

Scout Trails

An election was held by Girl Scout Troop 416 on Tuesday, Jan. 11, at 4:00 p.m. The scouts sponsored by St. Andrew's Episcopal Church meet at the church.

The new officers are Paula Blankenship, president; and Patricia Woodman, secretary. Retiring officers are Geraldine Dilkus and Virginia Krouser. Assisting in the proceedings were their leaders, Mmes. Walter Mathlin, E. M. Dilkus, and Harold Woodman.

Members of Cub Scout Pack 960-C have visited the train exhibit at Dory's Model Supply, 1907 Post Ave., as guests of Demetrius P. Scudder, proprietor.

Cubmaster Basil Lewis has taken several of the dens from Pack 960-C to see the model exhibit, built under the auspices of the Harbor Area Model Railroad Assn.

Boy Scout Troop 241 will hold a special awards night at St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at 7:30 on Jan. 27, with presentation of merit badges to various boys.

On Sunday of local Cub dens as their guests, attended the Pro Bowl football game in the Los Angeles Coliseum. The boys viewed the West's 26-19 victory over the East and watched Wes Santee, famous miler, put on an exhibition.

Scouts attending included Robert Wilson, Bill Holland, Ned Morang, Danny Kirks, Charles Moffitt, Bill Roeder, Walter Isleib, Richard Gross, Joe Reddington, Joe Page, Doug Stevens, Alfred Brand, Butch Cowan, Albert Bundrum, Dion Dyer, and Eric Beltman.

Cubs viewing the activity were Roy McCray, Jim Roeder, Bobby Moffitt, Gordon Davis, Billy Bauman, Wayne Thomas, Jack Klunde, Bobby Pierce, and Dennis Dyer.

Men, women and fathers were hosts during the social hour serving homemade pies, coffee, and tea. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Burrus acted as the hospitality committee.

Church Units Elect New 1955 Leaders

New officers for the year were elected for the woman's auxiliary and guilds of the St. Andrew's Episcopal Church at their first meetings of 1955.

Mrs. H. C. St. Martin will head the woman's auxiliary and will be assisted by Mmes. D. A. Murphy as vice-president, Wayne Norman as secretary and Charles Stewart as treasurer.

The altar guild will remain under the able guidance of Mrs. M. B. Solomon.

St. Cecilia Guild officers will be Mmes. Robert Steeth, chairman; D. A. Murphy, vice-chairman and Ethel Sears, secretary-treasurer.

St. Margaret Guild will be headed by Mmes. A. C. Turner, chairman; Richard Lenzart, secretary and Carl Carstens, treasurer.

Mrs. C. Andrews will direct activities as chairman for the St. Elizabeth Guild to be assisted by Mrs. John Mitoma, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. Kirk Jels, as education chairman.

The St. Mary Magdalene Guild will have as chairman Mrs. Wayne Norman, with Mrs. Richard Sprout as vice-chairman. Mrs. Anna Baker is secretary-treasurer.

Chairmen who will serve under the woman's auxiliary will be Mmes. M. B. Solomon, Christian-social relations; Dr. Grace McGleery, united thank offering; Alan Moore, education; Kirk Jels, personnel and A. H. Swenson, publicity.

New Granddaughter

Mrs. and Mrs. Joe Phoenix, 1649 Rosalind, became grandparents of a little girl who was born to their daughter and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Don Eyers of 2108 Belmont in North Redondo, on Jan. 16. Her arrival makes two boys and two girls in the Eyers family. Mrs. Eyers is the former Wilma Phoenix of Torrance.

Stork Story

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Smith of 379 E. 234th St., Wilmington, welcomed their first child, Dolores Jean, at 5:37 Jan. 7 at the Torrance Memorial Hospital. Grandparents of Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Smith of 1 d a h o Falls, Ida., and Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Owen of Torrance.

Making it five sons for Mr. and Mrs. Simone Dodson, of 21717 Orris St., is Perry Dean who tipped the scales at 7 lbs. 12 1/2 oz. on Jan. 7 at the Torrance Memorial Hospital. Brothers of the new arrival are Jimmy 8, Danny 6 1/2, Larry 4 1/2 and Johnny 2. Mrs. Stella Dodson of Harriman, Tenn. is the grandmother.

Larry Paul, 2 1/2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Kengla, of 4332 W. 230th St., relinquished his status as only child to a sister, who joined the family Jan. 7 at the Torrance Memorial Hospital. The baby, Debra Ann, weighed 8 lbs. 9 1/2 oz. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. John Petzold of Torrance, and Mrs. H. Kengla of Lynwood is paternal grandmother.

Steven Howard Cooper is the first child for Mr. and Mrs. H. Cooper of Hermosa Beach. He arrived Jan. 6 at 11:45 and weighed in at 5 lb. 15 oz. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stalcup of Brookland, Ark., and Mr. and Mrs. H. Cooper of Nettleton, Ark.

A Jan. 6 arrival for Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Stoll, of 24808 President Ave., Harbor City, was William Thomas who made his appearance at 11:55 a.m. in Torrance Memorial Hospital. The husky 9 lb. 2 oz. youngster will join two brothers, Arthur Martin 3, and Edward Williams 2 years. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Stoll of Detroit, Mich.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest A. Birdsell of Hermosa Beach on Jan. 5 at 6 p.m., at the Torrance Memorial Hospital. He will join two sisters at home, Kathleen Jane and Mary Lynn. Grandparents of the 9 lb. 1 1/2 oz. boy are Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Thatcher of Playa del Rey.

Local PTA Activities

Council

Preparations for the Torrance Council PTA's Feb. 16 Founders Day meeting which will be held at the YWCA were formulated at a special meeting held at the home of the council's second vice-president, Mrs. Duane Sherwood. Also present at this gathering were Mrs. E. Ingram, Mrs. A. L. MacKenzie, Mrs. H. Cortez and Mrs. W. A. Wright, president.

In honoring the founders of the National Congress of Parents and Teachers, Alice McPerson Hearst, the council also honors their own past presidents and uses that occasion to familiarize members with the rich heritage of Parent-Teacher, emphasizing in particular the underlying principles and objectives. The prestige of the Parent-Teacher movement has grown steadily through the years and each member realizes this prestige and the great power Parent-Teacher has in the life of the nation along with the great responsibility involved and the importance of each local unit's participation.

No. Torrance

January meeting of the North Torrance Elementary PTA was held Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 7:30 p.m. The association voted to give two honorary life memberships and Mrs. Mary West and Mrs. W. J. McCausland were elected to serve with Mrs. Charles Stauffer on the honorary life membership committee. A suggestion box was placed at the front of the room so the name of a person deserving of an honorary life membership could be submitted.

Max Will from Germany and Lena Malmstrom from Sweden, who are attending Torrance High School through the International Field Service, spoke on arriving in America and while attending school here. A period of questions and answers followed.

The El Camino Community Choir, directed by R. Nell Hill presented several selections. Mr. Heysler's sixth grade and Mrs. Peest's Daigle's third grade rooms won the prizes for having the most parents present at the meeting. Third grade room mothers were hostesses for the evening.

Walteria

Open house was held at Walteria School last Friday, Jan. 14 in honor of John Strum and W. Smith. Mr. Strum is leaving Walteria to serve as vice-principal of Crenshaw School.

Mr. Smith, who is from Ferngreenwood, will be the new vice-principal. Coffee and cake were served by board members to teachers and others who attended.

"The Exceptional Child" was the topic of Mrs. Margie Belle Brown, Torrance District school psychologist. Mrs. Brown showed colored slides and told how exceptional children are trained and helped to overcome their handicaps. The meeting was held Thursday, Jan. 13.

Mrs. Dolan's first grade entertained with a pageant entitled "A Make-believe Trip to Mount Wilson." The children, who were dressed as snowflakes and snow men, sang and performed several numbers as Mrs. Dolan's hand.

During the business meeting, conducted by Mrs. C. W. Johnson, new PTA president, C. Nesterode announced that a rag-party drive will be held at the school on Jan. 24 from 9:30 a.m. until 6 p.m. Mrs. Bessie Slesinger discussed the possible annexation of Rolling Hills. Mrs. W. T. Allen announced there will be a 33rd District workshop in Culver City on Jan. 27 from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Community singing was led before the meeting began by Mrs. Pickering with Mrs. Cleve at the piano. Mrs. Jane Wrigley announced

the public is invited to attend this meeting, at which time election of 1955-56 officers will be held also. Honorary life membership presentations will also be made at this meeting.

Torrance High School PTA and the Howard Wood PTA are the only two parent-teacher associations achieving the five board member within the honor roll for subscriptions being purchased by every executive in Torrance Council PTA. Other units are striving to reach the honor roll goal and it is the wish of all local units with in Torrance Council PTA to acquire all parents in Torrance with the California Parent-Teacher Magazine so they will procure help in solving family problems, through the wonderful and varied articles on health, discipline, spiritual life, features dealing with movies, radio, television, comic books, current problems in school education. Anyone wishing to subscribe to the magazine or procure further information may contact unit presidents within their own school area of Mrs. W. A. Wright, Torrance Council president.

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